

Pan language

Pan is an Afro-Asiatic dialect cluster spoken in Plateau State, Nigeria.

Dialects

Dialects are Bwol, Dimmuk (Doemak), Gworam, Jipal, Kofyar (Kwong), Kwagallak (Kwolla), and Mirriam (Mernyang).^[1]

Blench (2019) lists the following language varieties in the Pan cluster.^[3] Village locations are cited by Blench (2019) from Hon, et al. (2014).^[4]

- **Mernyang**: spoken in Dokan Kasuwa, Dokan Tofa, Kwaning, Laardang, Kwang, Kwa, Miket villages
- **Doemak**: spoken in Kofyar Doemak, Goechim, Ba'ap, Kopar, Doemak villages
- **Tènḡ (Teng)**: spoken in Nteng, Gyeer, Doop, Kelaghan, Loon, Kwakii, Zhep Morop, Gorom villages^[5]
- **Kwagallak**: spoken in Tim, Kopfogon, Chim, Yitiar, Kwoor, Kwalla, Shangfuup, Kopbepang, Moeda villages
- **Bwol (Bwall)**: spoken in Dungras, Nakum, Tanba, Bwall, Goepil villages
- **Gworam**
- **Jipal**: spoken in Katul, Kabum, Kanjing, Kaburuk, Shawk, Kaper, rundum, Jipal, Bul, Kwa, Male, Zwakal villages
- **Shindai**

Kofyar	
Pan	
Native to	Nigeria
Region	Plateau State
Ethnicity	Kofyar
Native speakers	110,000 (2000) ^[1]
Language family	Afro-Asiatic ▪ Chadic ▪ West Chadic ▪ Bole–Angas ▪ Angas (A.3) ▪ Kofyar
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	kw1
Glottolog	kofy1242 (http://glottolog.org/resource/lan guoid/id/kofy1242) ^[2]

Note that in the villages names, orthographic *oe* stands for the mid central vowel **ə**, a practice that had been adopted by missionaries in the Shendam area during the 1930s, such as Father E. Sirlinger.^{[6][7][8]}

Notes

1. Kofyar (<https://www.ethnologue.com/18/language/kwl/>) at *Ethnologue* (18th ed., 2015)
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